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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

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**Title** : **Apparatus for the Provision of a Block Flange of a Manhole  
Aperture of the Like, in Particular for Fluidized Bed Reactors**  
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**Request for Status of Earlier Filed Petition**

To the Commissioner for Patents:

Applicant hereby requests the status of the petition filed on October 27, 2004 for the above-referenced PCT application. The petition was filed pursuant to 37 CFR 1.137(b) to revive the PCT application for filing of a continuation application.

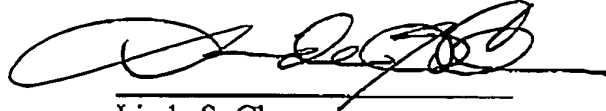
Following this request is a copy of the petition as filed on October 27, 2004.

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Please direct any inquiries regarding this request to the applicant's undersigned attorney who may be reached directly by telephone at (212)940-8712.

Respectfully submitted,

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